

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING

BROOKLYN CITY COUNCIL

March 14, 2005

7:00 p.m.

The Mayor, Council and all in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Albier: "Would you call the roll Mr. Fisk."

Clerk Fisk: "Kathy Pucci."
"Rita Brown."
"Colleen Gallagher."
"Greg Frey."
"Tom Coyne."
"John Frey."
"Rich Albier."

Councilwoman Pucci: "Here."
Councilwoman Brown: "Here."
Councilwoman Gallagher: "Here."
Councilman G. Frey: "Here."
Councilman Coyne: "Here."
Councilman J. Frey: "Here."
Councilman Albier: "Here."

President Albier: "The reading of tonight's agenda: Ordinance #2005-12, it'll be the second reading of the Annual Appropriations Ordinance; we'll also have the first reading of Ordinance 2005-17, Providing for the issuance and sale of \$4.3 million notes in anticipation of the issuance of bonds for the purpose of paying the cost of constructing a new fire station and acquiring a new aerial ladder truck; also Ordinance 2005-18 will be put on first reading, Providing for the issuance and sale of \$1.5 million notes in anticipation of the issuance of bonds for the purpose of improving Tiedeman Road between certain termini, (ii) improving designated city streets, (iii) acquiring property known as Marquardt Park to be used for recreational purposes, (iv) reconstruction of Biddulph Road in cooperation with the Ohio Department of Transportation between Tiedeman Road and Ridge Road, and declaring an emergency; we also have two Resolutions this evening, Resolution 2005-1, To join in the support of the Cuyahoga County Commissioners, Congressman Dennis Kucinich, State Rep. Tim DeGeeter, and others, in regarding to saving jobs at NASA Glenn Research Center; also Resolution #2005-2, Opposing cutting the Community Development Block Grant, known as CDBG, programs as proposed by President Bush; other matters that may come before Council. Can we have a motion to approve the minutes of February 28th?"

Councilwoman Brown: "Move to approve."

President Albier: "We need a second."

Councilwoman Pucci: "Second."

Clerk Fisk: "To approve the minutes of February 28th, Kathy Pucci."

"Rita Brown."
"Colleen Gallagher."
"Greg Frey."
"Tom Coyne."
"John Frey."
"Rich Albier."

Councilwoman Pucci: "Yea."
Councilwoman Brown: "Yea."
Councilwoman Gallagher: "Yea."
Councilman G. Frey: "Yea."
Councilman Coyne: "Abstain."
Councilman J. Frey: "Yea."
Councilman Albier: "Yea."

President Albier: "Now the public session of the Council meeting. Anybody that has anything to say for the good and welfare of the City of Brooklyn, please come forward and state your name and address."

Barb Stepic: "Barb Stepic, Brooklyn Historical Society. I'd like to read a press release. The Brooklyn Historical Society at 4442 Ridge Road will host a photo collection day on Sunday, April 10th from 1-5 p.m. at the Museum. We are seeking old photos of several Brooklyn sites, and the October 20, 1955 Bill Randal concert at Brooklyn High School. The committee is encouraging residents to bring in their memories and old photos to be digitally copied and stories documented for the archives of the Brooklyn Historical Society and the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum. We will partner with the Rock Hall to create a 50th anniversary video of the students and residents who attended the concert. This video will be called I Was There. Performers were Pat Boone, The Four Lads, Billy Haley and the Comets, Pricilla Wright, and Elvis Presley. I think there's somebody on Council who might have been there. Old photo albums provide a rich resource of images of days gone by, people, places, landscapes and lifestyles. Photo sites the Society is

looking for are: Clague Stables, Navy Park, Brooklyn Acres and the barracks, Evergreen and Poplar Grove Schools, Brooklyn Race Track, Roseland Golf Course, Brooklyn and Mather Airport, Kiddie Park, CBS Brickyards, gas stations, the soapbox derby that was held somewhere in the 50s, and the Bill Randal concert. Participants will receive a free copy of a photo of their choice. I received a phone call today from someone who I have not been able to get in touch with, who has an old photo album of the building of Clague Stables. For information, please call Barb Stepic at 216-941-0160. The TCB Association, Taking Care of Business, is a group of adults from Brooklyn High School. They will be recreating the Bill Randal concert on October 20th, October 22nd on the stage at Brooklyn High School. And they have many exciting events planned for October. For information on the concert please call Denise Hudak, 216-661-3858. Thank you."

President Albier: "Thank you. Anyone else?"

Shirley Palumbo: "Shirley Palumbo, 10218 Micka Drive, Brooklyn. I am here to announce that the Icehouse Tavern is presenting a benefit for the Brooklyn Animal Shelter on Sunday, May 15th from 5-8 p.m. Our special guest will be Dick Goddard. Price for admission is \$15, and tickets are available now from any volunteer from the animal committee. Thank you."

President Albier: "Thank you Mrs. Palumbo. Anyone else? In that case we'll move on. We're going to have reports from committees, commissions and boards. The first committee is the Public Works, and the chairman of that committee is Greg Frey."

Councilman G. Frey: "Thank you Mr. Albier. This evening we did have a meeting of the Public Works Committee. We discussed some proposals we have for doing work on the old library. We are in the process of gathering information just to find out what kind of work needs to be done, what that work will cost if we're going to have it done, and exploring what our options are. As that process goes along we'll provide you with more information. What we have now are just kind of some ballpark figures. We need probably easily a couple hundred thousand dollars worth of work over there, just to make it usable for anything. So we will be continuing to pursue that. But there was information available that we wanted to get to the Councilmembers so that they would have a handle on where we're at with it. We also, Mr. Kappler, are you going to discuss Ridge Road in your report?"

Director Kappler: "I can, or..."

Councilman G. Frey: "I wish you would, because you're more familiar with it than I am. We have been in discussions with the County Engineer Mr. Klaiber's office, regarding the section of Ridge Road from I-480 down to Memphis Avenue, the job that was done a couple of years ago. And I don't think anybody in the City of Brooklyn is satisfied with the job that was done. And I believe the county is trying to be responsive to what our concerns regarding that job. And Mr. Kappler, I have some information that hopefully you'll share with us about that. And also we discussed the upcoming year and preliminary plans for street projects throughout the City of Brooklyn. We anticipate spending close to \$300,000 on street repairs. Some of it will be mill and fill on asphalt, some will be concrete repairs, the streets, the specific street locations are generally identified, but not specifically at this point. As soon as the weather gets a little bit warmer we'll be able to get our engineer out there to do a better job of surveying what need needs to be addressed first. Because of our budget constraints we're going to have to be careful this year of how much we expend on this. But we are going to make sure that our streets are usable for our residents. And I think that's all we have Rich, thank you."

President Albier: "Thank you Mr. Frey. The second committee is the Public Safety Committee, and the chairperson is Kathleen Pucci."

Councilwoman Pucci: "Thank you Mr. Albier. The Safety Committee will meet to discuss the animal ordinance and also a drug testing policy that can result in lower Worker's Comp premiums, next Monday, March 21st at 7:15. I know we have a number of residents who have expressed interest in the animal ordinance, so we are meeting close to our regular meeting time. The Rec Board meets at 6:30, so that's why we're going to give Mr. Albier about a 15 minute cushion there. Mrs. Gallagher will provide information on the drug testing. And I ask that everyone please review the information on the animal ordinance so that we're all prepared with questions or possible revisions."

President Albrier: "Thank you Mrs. Pucci. The Rec Board. We didn't have a meeting. Our next meeting, like Mrs. Pucci just said, is next Monday at 6:30 in the Mayor's Court. Next is the Planning Commission. Mr. John Frey, do you have a report from the Planning Commission?"

Councilman J. Frey: "Well there was a meeting on Thursday, I think it's the 3rd of March, the first Thursday, and at that meeting the architect was there to display plans and sites and all of the views of the new fire station. And there were people in the audience that more or less made their comments as to how it would affect them, with respect to the new neighbors and drainage. And all of those items are expected to be taken care of. At least looked into. Whether that all can be done remains to be seen. But they all will be solved one way or the other. And then there also was a request to put a cell phone, one of those towers that you see all over for cell phones, on top of the Westbrook Apartments. In the sketches that were brought forth indicate that they will not be in any way, I don't believe they'll even be visible as far as the structure from the street. And that was approved, to put up a tower on top of the Westbrook Apartments. And that's about all. I think there was one sign approval, Mayor? Did we have a sign approval for that Progressive building?"

Mayor Patton: "No, it was just the wireless communication. And also the meeting is rescheduled for a special Planning Commission for this Wednesday, I want to say it's at 4:30. And all the neighbors that were in participation can make it. Better make sure."

Councilman J. Frey: "That's it."

President Albrier: "Okay, thank you Mr. Frey. The next committee is the Finance Committee, and that is also chaired by Mrs. Pucci."

Mayor Patton: "Yes, it is Wednesday at 4:30."

Councilwoman Pucci: "It's Wednesday 4:30? Okay. The Finance Committee did meet earlier this evening, I have a brief report. On tonight's agenda we have Ordinance 2005-12, this is the second reading for the Annual Appropriations Ordinance. And we did vote to put that on second reading tonight, that'll be up for adoption at our next meeting. Ordinance #2005-17 is going to be on first reading this evening. This provides for the issuance and sale of \$4.3 million in notes. This is for the new fire station and the new aerial ladder truck. Because this is a new note it requires three readings. So this won't be adopted until our April 11th meeting. Ordinance #2005-18, this is the renewal of our current notes. Our current note is for \$1.9 million, the new note will be for 1.5. As we planned, we're going to be paying off \$410,000. We have Resolution 2005-2, which opposes cutting the Community Development Block Grant programs as proposed by President Bush. And the Finance Committee did vote to support that. And Mr. Fisk in his report is going to elaborate on the going ons with the proposed cuts from the state in the library and local government funds. And that was it from Finance this evening, thank you."

President Albrier: "Thank you Mrs. Pucci. Do we have anything from Domestic Violence or legislative update Mrs. Gallagher?"

Councilwoman Gallagher: "Domestic Violence, we held the last Domestic Violence meeting on Wednesday, March 9th. This session was devoted to finalizing material for a small handout. This handout will try, we're going to try to compile the most useful resources available to the victim. The Committee also compiled domestic violence statistics from Parma Hospital and our city prosecutor. The Parma Hospital Safe Room, whose existence can be attributed to the City of Brooklyn and its Domestic Violence Committee, was utilized three times last year. The City of Brooklyn also prosecuted 21 cases of domestic violence in 2002, 16 cases in 2003, and 26 cases in 2004. As you can see by this information, this situation cannot be ignored. I realize that most of you would rather not hear about domestic violence, unfortunately the only way to combat this reoccurring problem is to bring it out into the open and educate our residents that this behavior is not acceptable and will not be tolerated. Our next meeting is scheduled Wednesday, April 13th at 6:30 p.m. at the Senior Center. And also, on February 8th our State Representative Tim DeGeeter, along with some of his colleagues, introduced Bill 48, or the Identity Fraud Legislation. This Bill re-names the offense of identity fraud when it is committed against an elderly person or disabled adult. This Bill permits the Attorney General, in cooperation with the law enforcement agency, to issue an identity fraud passport to a person who has filed a police report citing that they are a person of identity fraud in Ohio. Furthermore, the victim may present the passport to a law enforcement agency or to the victim's creditors, and permits the agency or who

may accept the passport, at its discretion. This Bill is expanding the statute for additional protection for the elderly and disabled victims, and is also going to increase the penalty. That's all I have to report."

President Albier: "Thank you Mrs. Gallagher. Now I'll have reports of Council, and I believe the first one is from Mrs. Pucci."

Councilwoman Pucci: "Oh, thank you, but what about the Zoning, there was a Zoning meeting last week. Mr. Ockington should give an update on that."

President Albier: "Okay, Mr. Ockington."

Comm. Ockington: "The Zoning Board of Appeals had a meeting on Thursday evening regarding a request for a variance for a fence at 4760 Sunny Lane. The variance was granted for a decorative fence in the front yard area. And it was the request for a fence in the side yard was withdrawn by the applicant."

President Albier: "Okay, thank you. Now reports of Council, Mrs. Pucci."

Councilwoman Kathy Pucci: "Thank you Mr. Albier. Chief Duchoslav, thank you for the annual report, and please thank everyone who contributed to it..."

Chief Duchoslav: "Absolutely."

Councilwoman Pucci: "...we appreciate it. I am concerned with the last paragraph regarding personnel recommendations, 'If we don't increase our officers we will no longer be eligible for the Fire Act Grants.' Are we going to implement these changes, or do we know what we're going to do yet?"

Chief Duchoslav: "I'm in the process of doing that now. Restructuring the command structure within the department, and assistant chief or captains, an executive officer position, trying to get that into motion. And then if it's possible, in the budget, next on the list is more lieutenants. In order to be eligible, it was for 2005, or it was for 2006 but now it's been moved back to 2007, unless we can meet these requirements, and there are 75 requirements. NIMS is a National Incident Management System, and it's basically a system that covers whether it's a car fire or three floors of an apartment building involved. The procedures to follow. And if the command structure is not in place we're not going to be able to do that. Many departments are further behind than we are, they will not be eligible, as we will not be eligible for this money if we can't meet these requirements."

Councilwoman Pucci: "And are these the only requirements that we don't meet so far?"

Chief Duchoslav: "The ones that I know of that stand out, yes."

Councilwoman Pucci: "Okay, and we have to meet all of them?"

Chief Duchoslav: "Yes. We have mutual aid contracts..."

Councilwoman Pucci: "Right."

Chief Duchoslav: "...incident command, things like that in place, just the structure to be able to follow that."

Councilwoman Pucci: "And to still qualify would we have to go through all the way to adding more lieutenants, or is it something that could be phased in..."

Chief Duchoslav: "That could be phased, that can be phased in."

Councilwoman Pucci: "Okay, alright."

Chief Duchoslav: "And has to be budgeted also."

Councilwoman Pucci: "Right, I understand that. Okay, thank you. And thank you also for the update on the fire station project. I had requested that Chief Duchoslav update us monthly on the progress, and everyone should have received a copy just prior to the meeting. So thank you very much."

Chief Duchoslav: "Yes, and if I could comment on that. If anyone has any questions on that, that is just in general, to look at the plans or whatever current, and they are changing almost daily in conversations, please give me a call, I'll take the time to show them to you."

Councilwoman Pucci: "Okay, thank you very much. And also, welcome to our fire fighters that are in the audience with us this evening. Chief Murphy, I noticed today that the light at Tiedeman and Brookpark, if you're on Hauserman headed northbound, the stop or the red signal on the right hand side is out. So, thank you. And Mayor, Mrs. Bazniak contacted me again regarding the crosswalk situation at Biddulph and Williamston for the High School and the Middle School students. And I'm going to give you a copy of her original letter..."

Mayor Patton: "I have that."

Councilwoman Pucci: "Oh, okay. That we had received. Because I know the original letter was requesting the flashers, and I know that Chief Murphy took a look at it. But I still think we're off on the signs."

Mayor Patton: "Chief, you want to update so we could..."

Chief Murphy: "We'll get some additional signs up there, what everybody wants. But the weather is not conducive right now to get them up."

Councilwoman Pucci: "Okay, I understand that. I did take some pictures, and I'll give them to you Mayor, and you can pass them along to the Chief. It seems, I don't know, I think we just need some consistency with our signs. I did label the back of them so you know exactly where they are. And this is the current one that's up there; but yet in other areas we do have the sign that actually says the school crossing. These are the ones on Memphis, so..."

Mayor Patton: "Correct. We have to order signs, so it's going to take four to six weeks. Is that right Chief?"

Councilwoman Pucci: "Okay."

Chief Murphy: "That's right."

Councilwoman Pucci: "Then they'll be both eastbound and westbound, correct?"

Mayor Patton: "Yes."

Councilwoman Pucci: "Okay, good. Thank you very much. And Mr. Kappler, are you going to give us an update on the Memphis signalization project in your report?"

Director Kappler: "Yes I am."

Councilwoman Pucci: "Okay, good. And I would just like to wish everyone happy St. Patrick's Day and also a very blessed Easter. Thank you Mr. Balbier."

President Balbier: "Thank you Mrs. Pucci. Mrs. Brown."

Councilwoman Rita Brown: "Yes, thank you Mr. Balbier. First of all I'd like to thank Mr. Kappler and Mr. Ockington and the entire Appeals Board for a very wise decision that they came to on a very touchy situation we have had in the city for years, and we had not been able to resolve. I think their actions would be worthy of Solomon. And I thank you gentlemen. I know it was an effort to resolve this problem, but you did a good job, and I applaud you. In honor of St. Patrick's Day I have something that I want to share with you. This is from the Irish philosopher. 'There are only two things to worry about, either you are well or you are sick. If you are well there is nothing to worry about, but if you are sick there are two things to worry

about. Either you will get well or you will die. If you get well there is nothing to worry about, but if you die there are two things to worry about. Either you will go to heaven or to hell. If you go to heaven there is nothing to worry about, but if you go to hell you'll be so busy shaking hands with friends you won't have time to worry.' Which brings me to the subject that I want to discuss tonight. Please people, if you have flu or lingering effects of the flu, please stay home and not spread this horrendous germ, especially if you're an employee of Parma Hospital. Thank you. That completes my report."

President Balbier: "Thank you Mrs. Brown. Mrs. Gallagher."

Councilwoman Colleen Gallagher: "Thank you Mr. Balbier. Good evening ladies and gentlemen. Mr. Kappler, it was brought to my attention that the missing tree at 6808 Northcliff, which was supposed to be planted last fall, was not. Can you please make sure we put this on the list this year please?"

Director Kappler: "Sure, 6808 Northcliff?"

Councilwoman Gallagher: "Yes."

Director Kappler: "Okay."

Councilwoman Gallagher: "And also on Ridge Road going north, there is a Do Not Enter sign at Clinton which is faded and needs replacement. If you could take a look."

Director Kappler: "Okay, Do Not Enter sign?"

Councilwoman Gallagher: "Yes."

Director Kappler: "Okay, I'll take care of it."

Councilwoman Gallagher: "Thank you Mr. Kappler."

Director Kappler: "You're welcome."

Councilwoman Gallagher: "And Chief Murphy, a few meetings ago I requested your attention to the Walk/Do Not Walk lighting at the entrance to Home Depot. You told me that the light was Parma's, but you would call Signal Services. I bring this to your attention again because that lighting was completely broke off and just hanging by the wires and still is. I do not know how heavy that unit is, but it is flapping back and forth and will eventually wear through those wires and probably crash down to the ground. Your attention to this item would be appreciated. And being on the Safety Committee, since I've been on Council, I believe it is my job to actively pursue a concern, be concerned with the safety of the residents. So if you could check this out I would appreciate it. Before I go on to my last item, I'd like to clear up a statement the Mayor made at the last Council meeting. The Mayor quoted my statement on January 24th as follows. The Mayor said he would not be replacing any of the expected eight persons retiring this year from the Recreation Center and the city garage. The Mayor went on to say that, 'That may not be true, I will replace any position when I see it's required to continue to serve our residents.' Just so this is not misinterpreted, the statement I made was completely accurate. At the January 24th meeting I was commending the Mayor for his fiscal responsibility, and I repeated the quote in question from a previous public meeting. So in a short and simple version the January 24th statement by me was completely accurate and the Mayor was trying to qualify his previous statement by saying he may have to replace a retiree. Also, my condolences to Firefighter Herb Brunkholz on the loss of his mother. My last item is for Mr. Shaper. I have a draft legislation of a nuisance ordinance, I handed it to you earlier. The law is patterned and designed to combat nuisance offenders who put a drain on our safety forces. We need to send a clear message to landowners and tenants that the City of Brooklyn and its residents are proud to live in our city, and we want all our existing laws followed, and the health and the safety of our residents maintained. When our safety forces are repeatedly required to attend to nuisance properties and tenants, they detract from protection and safety of all the other Brooklyn residents. As a taxpayer this is a cost that I am not willing to assume, especially not for a person who repeatedly violates the law. So I'm going to pass this on down to all the Councilmembers, you can take a look at it. I gave it to Mr. Shaper. And hopefully we can talk about it at a future date. And Mayor, just one question. Do you plan on interviewing for an animal control officer shortly, part-time?"

Mayor Patton: "That is an item on my list, with the tremendous financial burden currently right now, I've decided to wait at this time until we make a little progress with the animal ordinance and things of that nature. But for the time being, all animal calls are being answered. Since we've hired this company I have not received one complaint in my office, and that's back since October."

Councilwoman Gallagher: "Thank you Mayor. That completes my report."

President Balbier: "Thank you Mrs. Gallagher. Mr. Greg Frey."

Councilman Greg Frey: "Thank you Mr. Balbier. Chief Duchoslav, I would like to thank you for the update on the fire station and the truck, and for your annual report. All the Chiefs and directors, I read all of those reports cover to cover. There's much information in them every year, and I enjoy reading them. And I enjoy getting the knowledge that's in them. I just want to address one topic tonight, and Mr. Fisk is going to talk about it, and it's the state budget, the cut in local government funds that is anticipated in the state budget. We're going to get whacked by it, and it's going to cost us about \$150,000. And, well Mr. Fisk will address the whys and the where notes. I just want to explain that when we're talking about your tax dollars, I'm going to tell you the best deal you get for your tax dollar is right here at the local level. Okay, you may think that we aren't always up to snuff up here, but most of you know all of us. And when you don't think we're up to snuff there are very few of you that aren't willing to say, hey, you're not up to snuff. And you do it by saying, hey, Greg Frey, or hey Rita Brown, or hey Kathy Pucci, or Tom Coyne, or whoever, you're not doing right. Okay? How many in here know who your state Senator is? Okay. You can tell who the party activists are. Very few. That's because people down in Columbus that spend billions and billions of dollars of our money, okay, are removed from us. They don't particularly answer to us. So when the state takes, what is it Mr. Fisk, \$800 million of local government funds, and keeps it down in Columbus, by withholding it from municipalities and counties, okay, that's your money that they're removing from here for them to spend down there on things that they care about. Not necessarily things that we care about. Now this budget is up for discussion, and it's back and forth. You know, it appears that it's probably going to pass at some point in time. But you need to be aware, as the taxpayers, the generators of the money, okay, that either we're going to have to be much more cognizant of what they're doing in Columbus with our money, or else we're going to have to be much more insistent that they leave some of it here. Because they are impacting services in this area, services that we have paid for in our taxes. And that's the end of my spiel. Thank you. Happy Easter to everybody, and happy St. Patrick's Day. We'll be here before Easter, will we not?"

Councilwoman Brown: "No, day after."

Mayor Patton: "No."

Councilman Coyne: "Day after."

President Balbier: "Day after."

Councilman G. Frey: "Okay, well happy Easter to everybody. Spring is coming. It comes every year. Sooner or later it'll get warm enough for Mr. Kappler to go out and start looking at streets. What a joy."

President Balbier: "Thank you Mr. Frey. Mr. Tom Coyne."

Councilman Tom Coyne: "Thank you Mr. Balbier. Very happy St. Patrick's Day to all our residents, and a very happy and blessed Easter to all. Plain Dealer. Anybody that gets the Plain Dealer saw the articles in yesterday's front page. This is a series of stories that's been around all week actually on what they call Sunshine Week, your, the public's, right to know. This is basically on the openness of public records, which, the way the laws are written, they're mandated, city officials are mandated to keep public records available to anybody that needs to see them. Also included in this front page story was an article on Mayor Kevin Patton, Mayors Kevin Patton and Merle Gordon. And this details, 'Patton's generosity with taxpayers' money.' We on Council have worked with the Law Director to complete a policy and procedures handbook for all city employees, as we have had previous problems in this area. Thank you also to Chief Duchoslav and the entire

Fire Department for the comprehensive report and the updated report on the new fire house progress. And welcome to the firefighters in the audience. That's all I had."

President Albier: "Thank you Mr. Coyne. Mr. John Frey."

Councilman John Frey: "Thank you Mr. Albier. Greg, you mentioned all the Councilmen except myself, and then you said, and whoever. Am I the whoever?"

Councilman G. Frey: "No, you are never an after thought."

Councilman J. Frey: "Okay. And anyway, I have a question, Mr. Kappler. If I had a call from a lady and she said, well I've got two inches of snow in my drive, why haven't they come to plow, and I said, well you have to have four inches of snow. And she said, I don't believe that. I said, well I can't do anything about it, that that's the rule. I have a question though. If you have... I can't hardly see you, you have to stand up over there. If you have two inches one day and two inches the next day, does that constitute four inches?"

Director Kappler: "Yes it does."

Councilman J. Frey: "Because that's the way it's been happening, you know. But in any event..."

Director Kappler: "Yes, but in that same regard, if we get a two inch snow fall and one inch melts, and we get another two inches, then that's three."

Councilman J. Frey: "And that don't count. And that's what happens. Okay. And I couldn't explain that to her, but I tried. In any event, I wish everybody a happy Easter and a good holiday and warm weather. And that's it."

President Rich Albier: "Thank you Mr. Frey. I only have a couple items. I also, like Greg I always read all those end of the year reports, and I think some of the statistics are interesting. And Chief Duchoslav turned in his report from the Fire Department for 2004, and the Fire Department answered 1,474 ambulance calls in 2004 and 741 fire alarms, of which 16% of them were false. But I think the number that jumped out at me, the city only lost \$186,000 in fires. That's like one house for the whole year. I think that's a great record. You need to be congratulated, and you and your staff. Also, about a year ago, I don't know if you remember, I mentioned the Supreme Court was going to hear a case on eminent domain. That's where a city can take property from private individuals. And they've heard this case now, a gentlemen in New London, Connecticut was against the city taking his property to turn over to a private developer to build a shopping center. He was satisfied with the price, but he just didn't want to sell, and he doesn't think that's the way eminent domain should be heard, it should be handled. So the Supreme Court heard the case, and I know all the cities are going to be watching for the result. And it said they should make their ruling by the summer time. And that's all I have. Mayor, your report please."

Mayor Ken Patton: "Okay, thank you. The City of Brooklyn's been named Tree City USA by the National Arbor Day Foundation to honor its commitment to the community forest. It's 21st year consecutively that Brooklyn has won this national recognition. I want to thank Mr. Kappler, his Service Department, and especially Joe Stesny and Tony Hernandez who do most of the work out on the trees. They do a really good job. Again, reminder, the special Planning Commission meeting is Wednesday the 16th, that's this Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. The only item on the agenda is a request from RCU Architects, Inc. for a lot consolidation and site plan approval to construct a new fire station to be located at 8300 Memphis Avenue, PP 431-020-003, 04 and 08."

Comm. Ockington: "Mayor..."

Mayor Patton: "Tom."

Comm. Ockington: "The address was changed. 8400."

Mayor Patton: "Oh, okay. That's why I re-read it in the first place, it was a typo. Okay. Condolences to the family, Brunkholz family, mother of one of our fire fighters. But also to the family of August Varga. Now

August Varga designed the seal of the City of Brooklyn, Ohio; and he also designed an emblem that went on General Patton's helmet during World War II. A couple Fridays ago Gale and I were going over some finances, trying to find out what we'd do if the passage of the local government fund and Brooklyn lost \$151,000. I got a phone call from the attorneys who do the work for Sears, who is the new owner of K-Mart, and they informed me as the Mayor of the City of Brooklyn, that they will be closing their store on Brookpark Road. So we did some checking, and 232 employees and over \$80,000 worth of municipal income tax. That was going to total \$233,000 of lost income, just like that. And that, along with the Community Development Block Grant \$4.7 billion. Not only do we have to watch Columbus, Greg, but we have to watch Washington too. And that's money that we use for street repair and things like that. So we were kind of pulling our hair out. This past Friday, late in the afternoon, we got a call from Sears/K-Mart, and they are in fact going to leave that store open as a Super K-Mart. They are not going to change it over to a Sears, they are not going to change it over to their new stores, which are going to be called Sears Essentials. So at least that's going to remain open. St. Thomas More Athletic Department is going to have a fundraiser for their baseball programs, and it's going to be on Saturday, March 19th from 5-8 p.m. down at the Harry Buffalo on Memphis Avenue. I'd like to thank Marcie Lowe and everyone who helped out at the Arts Alive over at Roadoan School. All the students had their art work hanging up, and it was a wonderful concert that they gave. And they really do a good job over there. And if you ever see it next year when they do it again, please take the time to go. Law Director and myself have been spending a lot of time over at Congressman Kucinich's office, not only with the Quiet Zones, but with NASA meetings going on. Also DEFAS seems to be another area which is going out the door in our area. And along with the Community Development Block Grant Funds. So we're working hard with other Mayors, and also with other State Reps, State Senators, and also with our Congressmen to see what we could do to help. It's not a very sunny picture. The Easter egg hunt is for Brooklyn children. It's going to take place at the Senior Center on this Saturday at 11:30. So please everybody show up, and the Easter Bunny's scheduled to arrive in Brooklyn. A reminder that city employees will have Good Friday off, that's the 25th. I'd also like to wish everyone a very happy Easter, happy St. Patrick's day. And make sure, I agree with Rita, if you're sick, stay home, get healthy. Just a couple things from the Senior Center. Applications have been mailed for the sign-up of grass cutting. If any questions, please call the Senior Center. St. Patrick's Day luncheon will be on the 17th, it's Thursday starting at 11:30, and tickets are on sale at the Senior Center. There's also on sale is the pancake breakfast, which will be April 10th, it's a Sunday. The cost will be \$4, children under six are free, and tickets are available over at the Senior Center. HEAP applications are available at the center also, and the deadline for filing is March 31st. Cleveland Sight Center will be over at the Senior Center on Thursday, March 17th. I think there'll be a few Irishmen who'll probably need to get checked. It's going to be there from 9-12, so call the Senior Center for your appointment. Brooklyn paramedics will be over at the Senior Center taking blood pressure readings on Thursday, March 24th. And also one of the speakers coming up on March 24th at the luncheon at 11:45 is the Golden Buckeye card prescription program. And that's my report."

President Albier: "Thank you Mayor. We'll now have the directors' reports. And since I always forget the man on my right, I'll have him first, the Finance Director, Mr. Fisk."

Director Fisk: "Good evening. I do not usually make statements about public policy, I don't usually talk about politics, and I don't usually talk about other entities' budgets, but tonight I'm going to make an exception. The Mayor and I are attending a rally tomorrow at the Cleveland Fire Station No. 1 at 9:30. We've been working with a coalition within Cuyahoga County that's the County Commissioners, other municipalities, townships, libraries, and the Metro Parks. And this is all in response to the Governor's state budget. For three years the state has frozen the amount going to local government funds and to local governments, and has quit funding local government funds under the long-established formula that was set back in the 1930s. That has cost every municipality, every township, every library and the Metro Parks for the last three years. Now the state's proposing a 20% reduction in local government funds for the 2006 biennium budget. This is how they propose to lower expenses at the state level by \$800 million. This affects the revenue for the local government funds, as again, for every municipality, township, library system and Metro Parks in the state. We all get funds from the local government funds, and the amount for Brooklyn is \$151,000. We get about \$750,000 annually, and a 20% cut for us is 151,000. My own personal philosophy is that it is not right to pass on problems to somebody else. If you have a problem, you take responsibility, you're accountable for it, and you solve it. The state at this point is saying that they imposed a one cent state sales tax a couple of years ago, and that that's supposed to be reduced, and so they're reducing it to a half a cent. And they're getting that reduction by passing along a 20% cut to the local governments and the local government funds. That half a cent sales tax happens to be \$800 million. The cut in local government funds

happens to be \$800 million. It's not a coincidence. You know, basically, at this point they've said that the way that this problem is going to be solved, and the way that it's going to be determined how we get extra funds to take care of this, is passing it down to local governments, to the local services that directly affect you, and let them figure out how to either cut or raise taxes. And I just don't think that's right. State Reps are going to be hearing testimony from March 15th thru March 18th on the House budget, and that budget is expected to be passed by April 12th. Our Republican controlled House and Senate needs to be told by the citizens that what they're doing just isn't right. If you remember last spring, the library system here in Cuyahoga County presented to you, and the voters passed, a .6 mill property tax increase. That property tax increase was to make up for the cuts that had been done, the freezes that had been done on local governments in the library systems in the last three years. In the fall the Metro Parks came through and presented to you, and you voted for, .3 mill of property taxes to take care of the reduced funds that the Metro Parks were receiving because of the freezes in local government fund. They took the action, they did the things that they needed to do to make up for those lost revenues; and if this 20% cut goes through, basically any action that they've taken to try and do what's right, and to try and do good government, is going to be rescinded and is going to be made worthless. Again, I don't think that's right. Out there in the seats in Council Chambers, I put some cards that have to do with local government funds that give you some information and a phone number to call. There are also some of those flyers out front on the reception desk, in case you don't have one. If you look at that and you determine that this just isn't the way good government should be, make a phone call. You the citizens are the ones who need to speak up on this. If you've got any questions I would be happy to talk with you about it. Please give me a call, 635-4204. Thank you."

President Balbier: "Thank you Mr. Fisk. You know, it seems like every time we have a Finance Committee meeting or a Council meeting or something, you always make a little progress and there's always something on the other side that always brings your finances back down. It's like butting your head against the wall, it seems like. Now the Service Department, Mr. Kappler."

Director Kappler: "Thank you Mr. Balbier. On March 2nd Doug Courtney, city engineer, and myself met with Bob Klaiber, County Engineer's office, in regards to Ridge Road Phase I, which is I-480 to Memphis Avenue, and its condition and the remedy that, looking for some type of remedy to the problem. Mr. Klaiber has come up with, he's in total agreement that the job is not what it should be and it does need to do some type of work to it. And we've come up with a tentative agreement that in 2011 that section of Ridge Road will be total reconstruction. In the interim they have agreed to do what they call a mill and fill, which is grind off old asphalt, replace it with new, in the year 2007. The only stipulation is, is we need all of us to agree, which is the administration and Council, that we're not going to request any widening of Ridge Road from this point on. The reason of that is, because of the way they'll be applying for money through federal and state funding for 2011, if we add a lane anywhere in this section it puts it into a different classification and makes our timeframe so it would lengthen them. We may not have a reconstruction for an additional five to six years. At our Public Works meeting Mrs. Pucci brought up the point of getting, asking HNTB, which did a traffic study on Ridge Road, for additional information because to see if they're in agreement about not adding a lane, keeping it the same size, and we will be getting Council that information this week. The second thing that I'd like to touch on is our Memphis Avenue signalization project. It's scheduled for completion in late spring, which is on time. There was a hold up in early February. The contractor wasn't able to continue working through the winter only because First Energy wasn't able to supply power to the new poles. And other cities were having the same problem. So when I first heard about this I got ahold of Doug Hogan, our representative for First Energy, and within a week he had First Energy crews on Memphis Avenue putting power to all the poles, so everything is going forward. They are working on the crosswalks down in the Ames area. They'll be firing up the signals each intersection at a time. So everything is going forward. And that completes my report."

President Balbier: "Thank you Mr. Kappler. The Building Department, Mr. Ockington."

Comm. Ockington: "Thank you Mr. Balbier. Lutheran Hospital has submitted plans and will be opening an urgent care center at 7580 Northcliff Avenue this summer. And I have been notified by Benderson Development, owner of the shopping plaza at Ridge and Brookpark that they'll be renovating the entire plaza this year, and a Staples office supply store will be opening there this summer also. That concludes my report."

President Albier: "Thank you Mr. Ockington. Police Chief Jack Murphy."

Chief Murphy: "No report."

President Albier: "Thank you. Chief Duchoslav, Fire Department."

Chief Duchoslav: "Thank you sir. My only thing I'd like to say is that if any member of the public would like to see or read a copy of the Fire Department annual report there's several copies available at the Fire Station, and I'll make sure Jeanne, the receptionist at City Hall has one also. Or they can call me and I can arrange for them to get a copy. Thank you."

President Albier: "Thank you Chief. Mr. Shaper, is there any report from the Law Department?"

Director Shaper: "I'll be quick."

President Albier: "I doubt that."

Director Shaper: "Councilperson Frey, I understand your question about the snow on the driveway. Some words of wisdom, which were passed onto me, is there are three types of people in this world, those that can count, and those that can't. As far as NASA Glenn goes..."

Councilman J. Frey: "Where do I fall in that equation?"

Director Shaper: "I don't know. As far as NASA Glenn is concerned, there is no upside in this. At best, if everybody does their part, we break even. And that's going to take a monumental effort. And I want you to know, the Mayor, with Council, I am sure, they are going to do everything that they can do from their end. But as Mr. Fisk told you about citizen involvement, it's needed. I would like to request that everything in that Resolution, that the entire Resolution be read. From seeing this topic, what you're seeing either is a surface level of what could be a horrible thing for our city indirectly, the region directly, and the country altogether. That the resources that you have at NASA Glenn we're not capable of understanding. I told somebody you don't need to be a rocket scientist to understand why you need rocket scientists. Well we're going to lose them. And this Resolution's a start. We need to do something as a region, and the Mayor's committed to doing it. Anybody that has any ideas, call us up, call Congressman Kucinich up. But read about what's going on, and hold people accountable. The region cannot afford to lose these jobs."

President Albier: "Thank you Mr. Shaper. That concludes the directors' reports. We'll have month reports and liquor permits. This is a monthly report from the Fire Department, they had 51 fire runs and 105 rescue squad runs. And from the Rec Center, they took in a total of \$81,934. That's from Mr. Al Sforzo. A memo to the Mayor from Tom Ockington. The Building Department took in \$4,436 for permits and \$3,225 in contractor registrations for the month of February. This is from the Senior Center. Through their social programs they took in \$2,609; and through charges and donations for services they took in \$2,147; for a total of \$4,757. This is a transfer of ownership from the Liquor Department. It's for Yesterday's Lounge. This is transferring it to a new owner. Is there any comment from the Police Department on this transfer Chief?"

Chief Murphy: "No. The old owner died and the place was taken over by Mr. Walsh who runs the Icehouse."

President Albier: "Okay, does any Council person have a comment on this transfer?"

Clerk Fisk: "Just do a statement of no objections."

Councilwoman Pucci: "We need a vote of no objection."

President Albier: "Alright, we need a statement of no objection."

Councilman Coyne: "Move to supply a statement of no objection."

Councilwoman Pucci: "Second."

Clerk Fisk: "For no objection to transfer of ownership for Yesterday's Lounge, Kathy Pucci."

"Rita Brown."

"Colleen Gallagher."

"Greg Frey."

"Tom Coyne."

"John Frey."

"Rich Albier."

Councilwoman Pucci: "Yea."

Councilwoman Brown: "Yea."

Councilwoman Gallagher: "Yea."

Councilman G. Frey: "Yea."

Councilman Coyne: "Yea."

Councilman J. Frey: "Yea."

Councilman Albier: "Yea."

President Albier: "We'll now have the audience. Anybody from the audience has any remarks pertaining to the legislation on the agenda at this meeting. I'm just going to change one thing around Mr. Fisk. We have our two resolutions listed last, and they're supposed to come first. So I'm going to read the two resolutions first. The first one is 2005-1, To join in support of the Cuyahoga County Commissioners, Congressman Dennis Kucinich, State Rep. Tim DeGeeter, and others in regard to saving jobs at the NASA Glenn Research Center."

Councilman J. Frey: "I move we adopt."

Councilman G. Frey: "Are you going to read it?"

President Albier: "Mr. Shaper asked if I would read it, so I'm going to read it. It says, Whereas, America has always been a country that prided itself on being first at achieving scientific breakthroughs; and Whereas, America wishes to continue being a leader in all scientific fields, including, but not limited to aviation and space exploration; and Whereas, President Bush's proposed priorities, moving away from aeronautics and concentrating on space exploration, would negatively impact the NASA Glenn Research Center due to our historic specialties; and Whereas, the President has proposed priorities, downplaying the basic research and development, which will result in our giving away the United States' historical dominance in aerospace; and Whereas, many outstanding, highly educated and extremely exalted scientists and engineers would lose their jobs and be forced to relocate from our region; and Whereas, our academic institutes would be stripped of education opportunities, grant funding and outlets for their graduating students; and Whereas, the City of Brooklyn recognizes the tangible and intangible benefits that approximately 1,900 technologically gifted people have contributed and should continue to contribute to Northern Ohio, all of Ohio, the United States, and the entire world; and Whereas, the loss of jobs would have an immediate negative effect on the economy of Northeast Ohio; and Whereas, Ohio must continue to demonstrate the vision, will and leadership to support NASA Glenn Research Center and urge President Bush to continue future aeronautics at the Center. Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Council of the City of Brooklyn, County of Cuyahoga and State of Ohio. That this Council requests that any person in power should take all legal and equitable steps to ensure that NASA Glenn Research Center continues to perform at the standard and level that it has been operating at. This Council further requests every person in power should take all legal and equitable steps to ensure an adequate budget so that NASA Glenn Research Center is allocated the proper funds. The Clerk of Council is hereby authorized and directed to forward a copy of this Resolution to the President of the United States, NASA's Administrator, Glenn Research Center's Director, each of the Senators and Congressmen in the State of Ohio, and all members of the Mayors and Managers Association of Cuyahoga County. That the Mayor and Brooklyn City Council thank the Cuyahoga County Commissioners, Congressman Dennis Kucinich, Representative Tim DeGeeter, and the mayors and officials of Northern Ohio for their bi-partisan and continuing efforts regarding this important matter. Section 5. That this Resolution is hereby declared an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; and for further reason in order to make the federal government officials aware in a timely manner of the concerns of the City of Brooklyn pertaining to the proposed cuts to NASA Glenn Research Center, which will negatively impact Northeast Ohio, and providing it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of all members elected to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor, otherwise it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest date allowed by law. I have a motion..."

Councilwoman Brown: "Mr. Albier, may I be recognized please?"

President Albier: "Yes, Mrs. Brown."

Councilwoman Brown: "Earlier in the evening Councilman Greg Frey asked how many people in the audience knew who our State Senator was. Well, if you have noticed, people, our State Senator isn't, our Senator is not mentioned in here anywhere. And I believe that is Senator Dan Brady, is it not?"

Councilman G. Frey: "I believe so."

Councilwoman Brown: "Dan Brady isn't mentioned, Mayor. Has Dan Brady not cooperated? What gives?"

Mayor Patton: "Who prepared the Resolution?"

Director Shaper: "I think we should have the Resolution, I can tell you that it should go to Dan Brady. I can't speak for what Dan Brady has done, and that's not to be read anything into that. I have not seen him at the meeting, and I would assume he's working behind the scenes, but I do not have a first hand knowledge of that. But I think we should add his name there, and we will make every effort to find out exactly where he stands on this."

Councilwoman Brown: "Okay, thank you."

President Albier: "Why don't you make the motion, Mrs. Brown, as amended with Dan Brady's name in it."

Councilwoman Pucci: "So insert it after Tom DeGeeter."

Councilwoman Brown: "Yes, to amend, add the name of Senator Dan Brady after, before, actually, the Senator would take precedent over the State Rep, State Senator Dan Brady."

President Albier: "To Resolution 2005-1."

Councilwoman Brown: "In Resolution 2005-1."

President Albier: "Do we have a second?"

Councilwoman Pucci: "Second to the amendment."

Councilman Coyne: "Second."

Clerk Fisk: "To amend Resolution 2005-1, Kathy Pucci."

"Rita Brown."

"Colleen Gallagher."

"Greg Frey."

"Tom Coyne."

"John Frey."

"Rich Albier."

Councilwoman Pucci: "Yea."

Councilwoman Brown: "Yea."

Councilwoman Gallagher: "Yea."

Councilman G. Frey: "Yea."

Councilman Coyne: "Yea."

Councilman J. Frey: "Yea."

Councilman Albier: "Yea."

Councilwoman Pucci: "Introduced by all, suspend the rules, as amended."

Councilman Coyne: "Second."

Councilwoman Gallagher: "Second."

Clerk Fisk: "To suspend the rules on Resolution 2005-1, Kathy Pucci."

"Rita Brown."

"Colleen Gallagher."

"Greg Frey."

"Tom Coyne."

"John Frey."

"Rich Albier."

Councilwoman Pucci: "Yea."

Councilwoman Brown: "Yea."

Councilwoman Gallagher: "Yea."

Councilman G. Frey: "Yea."

Councilman Coyne: "Yea."

Councilman J. Frey: "Yea."

Councilman Albier: "Yea."

Clerk Fisk: "To adopt, Kathy Pucci."
"Rita Brown."
"Colleen Gallagher."
"Greg Frey."
"Tom Coyne."
"John Frey."
"Rich Albier."

Councilwoman Pucci: "Yea."
Councilwoman Brown: "Yea."
Councilwoman Gallagher: "Yea."
Councilman G. Frey: "Yea."
Councilman Coyne: "Yea."
Councilman J. Frey: "Yea."
Councilman Albier: "Yea."

President Albier: "The second Resolution is **RESOLUTION 2005-2**, introduced by Mayor Patton. Opposing cutting the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) and other programs as proposed by President Bush."

Councilwoman Pucci: "Introduced by all, suspend the rules."

Councilwoman Gallagher: "Second."

Councilman Coyne: "Second."

Councilwoman Brown: "Second."

Clerk Fisk: "To suspend the rules on Resolution 2005-2, Kathy Pucci."

"Rita Brown."
"Colleen Gallagher."
"Greg Frey."
"Tom Coyne."
"John Frey."
"Rich Albier."

Councilwoman Pucci: "Yea."
Councilwoman Brown: "Yea."
Councilwoman Gallagher: "Yea."
Councilman G. Frey: "Yea."
Councilman Coyne: "Yea."
Councilman J. Frey: "Yea."
Councilman Albier: "Yea."

Clerk Fisk: "To adopt, Kathy Pucci."
"Rita Brown."
"Colleen Gallagher."
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"Rich Albier."

Councilwoman Pucci: "Yea."
Councilwoman Brown: "Yea."
Councilwoman Gallagher: "Yea."
Councilman G. Frey: "Yea."
Councilman Coyne: "Yea."
Councilman J. Frey: "Yea."
Councilman Albier: "Yea."

President Albier: "That's the two resolutions we have this evening, now we'll go into the ordinances. The first **ORDINANCE** is **2005-12**, and this will be the second reading of the Annual Appropriations Ordinance."

Councilwoman Pucci: "Move to put it on second reading."

Councilwoman Brown: "Second."

Clerk Fisk: "To place Ordinance 2005-12 on second reading, Kathy Pucci."

"Rita Brown."
"Colleen Gallagher."
"Greg Frey."
"Tom Coyne."
"John Frey."
"Rich Albier."

Councilwoman Pucci: "Yea."
Councilwoman Brown: "Yea."
Councilwoman Gallagher: "Yea."
Councilman G. Frey: "Yea."
Councilman Coyne: "Yea."
Councilman J. Frey: "Yea."
Councilman Albier: "Yea."

President Albier: "I'm just going to read the title of it though. The Annual Appropriations Ordinance. An ordinance to make appropriations for the current and other expenditures of the City of Brooklyn, State of Ohio for the period of January 1, 2005 to December 31, 2005. The next ordinance is **ORDINANCE 2005-**

17. This will be put on first reading. Providing for the issuance and sale of \$4.3 million notes in anticipation of the issuance of bonds for the purpose of paying the cost of constructing a new fire station and acquiring a new aerial ladder truck."

Councilman Coyne: "Move to put it on first reading."

Councilwoman Pucci: "Second."

Clerk Fisk: "To place Ordinance 2005-17 on first reading, Kathy Pucci."

"Rita Brown."

"Colleen Gallagher."

"Greg Frey."

"Tom Coyne."

"John Frey."

"Rich Albier."

Councilwoman Pucci: "Yea."

Councilwoman Brown: "Yea."

Councilwoman Gallagher: "Yea."

Councilman G. Frey: "Yea."

Councilman Coyne: "Yea."

Councilman J. Frey: "Yea."

Councilman Albier: "Yea."

President Albier: "The next ordinance is..."

Councilman J. Frey: "Are you supposed to read these?"

Councilwoman Pucci: "Fiscal officer's certificate."

Clerk Fisk: "Actually we do need to read the fiscal officer's certificate."

President Albier: "Okay, I'm sorry, I have to read the fiscal officer's certificate. This is for Ordinance 2005-17. To the Council of the City of Brooklyn, Ohio. As fiscal officer of the City of Brooklyn, I certify in connection with your proposed issue of the notes of the principal amount of \$4.3 million to be issued in anticipation of the issuance of bonds to pay costs for the constructing of a new fire station and acquiring an aerial ladder truck. The improvement that the estimated life for period of usefulness and improvement is at least five years. The estimated maximum maturity of the bonds calculated in accordance with Section 133.20 of the Revised Code is 26 years. That the maximum maturity is based on my calculations of the average number of years of life or period of usefulness and the improvement as measured by the weighted average of the amounts proposed to be extended for several classes of improvement as follows. \$3.5 million for the fire station, 36 years; and 800,000 for the aerial ladder truck, 10 years; and weighted average is therefore 26 years. If notes in anticipation of bonds are outstanding later than the last day of December of the fifth year following the year of issuance of the original issued notes, the period in excess of those five years shall be deducted from the maximum maturity of bonds. The maximum maturity of notes issued to finance the cost of each of the improvements is 20 years. Dated March 10, 2005. Signed by Director of Finance Gale Fisk."

Mayor Patton: "Rich, there's a correction. You mentioned 36 years, it's got to read 30 years."

President Albier: "Alright, I probably read it wrong. I have 30. I said 36 years, it says 30 years."

Mayor Patton: "Correct."

President Albier: "Okay. And the next one is **ORDINANCE 2005-18**. Also on first reading. And I'll read the fiscal officer's certificate. To the Council of the City of Brooklyn, Ohio. As fiscal officer of the City of Brooklyn, I certify in connection with your proposed issue of \$1.5 million various purpose notes, series 2005, to be issued in anticipation of the issuance of bonds to pay costs of the improvements identified on exhibit A, hereto collectively called Improvements, at the estimated life for the period of usefulness of each of the improvements is at least five years. The estimated maximum maturity of each issue of bonds to finance the cost of each of the improvements is set forth in exhibit A hereto. If, with respect to each of the improvements, notes in anticipation of bonds are outstanding later than the last date of December of the fifth year following the year of issuance, the original issue of notes in the period in excess of those five years shall be deducted from the maximum maturity of the bonds relating to that improvement. The maximum maturity of notes issued to finance the cost of each of the improvements is set forth on exhibit A hereto. Dated March 10, 2005. Signed by Director Finance, City of Brooklyn, Gale Fisk. And the Ordinance reads,

an Ordinance providing for the issuance and sale of \$1.5 million notes in anticipation of the issuance of bonds for the purpose of improving Tiedeman Road between certain termini, improving designated city streets, acquiring property known as Marquardt Park to be used for recreational purposes, and number four, reconstruction of Biddulph Road in cooperation with the Ohio Department of Transportation between Tiedeman Road and Ridge Road, and declaring an emergency."

Councilwoman Pucci: "Move to put on first reading."

Councilwoman Gallagher: "Second."

Councilman Coyne: "Second."

Clerk Fisk: "To place Ordinance 2005-18 on first reading, Kathy Pucci."

"Rita Brown."

"Colleen Gallagher."

"Greg Frey."

"Tom Coyne."

"John Frey."

"Rich Albier."

Councilwoman Pucci: "Yea."

Councilwoman Brown: "Yea."

Councilwoman Gallagher: "Yea."

Councilman G. Frey: "Yea."

Councilman Coyne: "Yea."

Councilman J. Frey: "Yea."

Councilman Albier: "Yea."

President Albier: "Is there any Councilman have anything else they wish to say?"

Councilwoman Pucci: "May I be recognized?"

President Albier: "Yes Mrs. Pucci."

Councilwoman Pucci: "Gale, when you were talking about, you know, citizens contacting the legislators in Columbus, the unions especially in our area has such a tremendous record in grass roots efforts as far as letter writing and phone calls. Have they been asked to get involved? You know, because we have police, fire, service and county workers and..."

Mayor Patton: "Yes, John Ryan's already been in Congressman Kucinich's office and meetings."

Councilwoman Pucci: "Okay."

Clerk Fisk: "The SEI union and some other unions have formed a coalition called Stop Ohio Slide..."

Councilwoman Pucci: "Okay."

Clerk Fisk: "...and they also are..."

Councilwoman Pucci: "So they're going to be getting their members to write letters and make phone calls?"

Clerk Fisk: "Yes."

Councilwoman Pucci: "Okay, good, thank you."

President Albier: "Anyone else?"

Councilman J. Frey: "I move we adjourn."

President Albier: "We have a motion to adjourn, do I have a second?"

Councilwoman Pucci: "Second."

Clerk Fisk: "To adjourn, Kathy Pucci."
"Rita Brown."

Councilwoman Pucci: "Yea."

Councilwoman Brown: "Yea."

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Councilwoman Gallagher: "Yea."
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Councilman Coyne: "Yea."
Councilman J. Frey: "Yea."
Councilman Albier: "Yea."

Meeting adjourned.

Clerk of Council

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